OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY FO INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) There has been some decline in production of some categories of vehicles during the past two years but no corresponding recessionary trends in the production of tyres have been noticed. In fact, overall tyre production for important categories of vehicles both for domestic use and exports is on the increase.

(b) The production of tyres during the last three years, year-wise and vehicle-wise was as under:—

Type of Vehicle	Production for domestic use and exports (In lakhs)		
	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
1. Truck and Bus	52.58	54.98	62.69
2. Light Commercial Vehicles	8.70	7.46	9.02
3. Jeep;	5.96	5.08	6.03
4. Cars	24.72	21.00	23.04
5. Tractors	11.78	11.77	12.73
6. Scooters	44.66	44.82	45.90
7. Moped	5.55	6.99	11.22
8. Motor Cycles	19.61	17.80	19.07

(c) Yes, Sir. No shortage of tyres has been reported.

(d) It is the endeavour of the Government to boost production of quality tyres so as to exploit export potential as well as to meet the domestic demand at reasonable prices.

(e) Original equipment manufacturers are allowed import of tyres at concessional rate of import duty of 50 per cent with a view to boost export and domestic demand of vehicles. Also, the availability of tyres to original equipment manufacturers at reasonable prices is ensured.

Hijacking of aeroplanes

*154. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of planes hijacked during the last two years, airport-wise;

(b) whether Government propose to give fresh look at airport security incidents;

(c) if so, details thereof;

(d) whether there was a proposal to induct CISF at Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi; and

(e) if not, the reasons behind non-induction of CISF at IGI Airport?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Four planes were hijacked during the last two years. Two of these were hijacked after departure from Lucknow airport and two from Delhi airport.

(b) to (e) An Export Group has been set up to review the existing security system comprehensively with a view to making it more efficient and effective. The Group will examine in this connection setting up of a dedicated Force for Aviation Security and make suitable recommendations.